



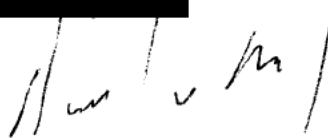
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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (PERSONNEL AND  
READINESS)

SUBJECT: Department-wide Review of Mental Health Diagnoses for Prior Service  
Members Completing a Department of Defense Disability Evaluation  
System Process Sixty (60) day Report

The Department of the Navy appreciates the opportunity to prepare a Department-  
wide review of mental health diagnoses for prior service members completing a  
Department of Defense disability evaluation system process sixty (60) day report in the  
attached Memorandum from the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

My point of contact for this matter is (b) (6) who may be  
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Attachments:  
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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
(MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS)

SUBJECT: 60-day Report on Department-wide Review of Mental Health Diagnoses for  
Prior Service Members Completing DoD DES Process

1. As directed, the following information is submitted as the 60-day status  
update for the Department of the Navy.

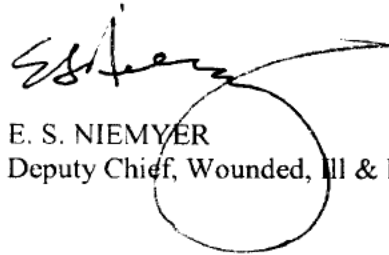
a. The electronic review of cases adjudicated between 2004 and 2012 has been completed. As of this date, 169 cases (out of approximately 8,400) have been identified as potentially requiring a review by the Physical Disability Board of Review or Special Review Panel (PDBR/SRP). That is, 169 cases revealed some type of mismatch between the diagnoses referred by the MEB and the diagnoses recorded by the PEB. The paper records of these cases are now being manually reviewed to determine whether actual diagnostic change occurred. Those cases for which it is confirmed that diagnostic change occurred, as defined by the terms of this review, will be forwarded to the PDBR/SRP upon consent of the service member.

b. The Navy's Manual Review of records adjudicated between 2001 and 2004 is 67% complete. This review is on track to be 100% complete by the end of April. To date, 4 records from this time period (out of approximately 1,450 reviewed so far) have been identified as likely requiring a PDBR/SRP review.

c. Of the 4 records identified by the manual review, 1 qualifies as a PDBR-covered individual, while the other 3 are uncovered. For the 169 cases identified by the electronic review, coverage status will be obtained following the final determination of whether actual diagnostic change occurred.

d. As of this date, no cases have been referred to the PDBR or SRP. Letters to applicable service members will be mailed following completion of the final list of identified cases.

2. My POC on this matter is (b) (6) who can be reached at  
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